SCHEMA METHODS

Example: Using Schema Methods for Simple Authentication

- Restrict access to Posts API (require authentication):
 - Create users schema with methods for
 - Finding users
 - Checking password
 - Use express-session middleware to create and manage user session (using cookies)
 - Create an authentication route to set up "session"
 - Create your own authentication middleware and place it on /api/posts route

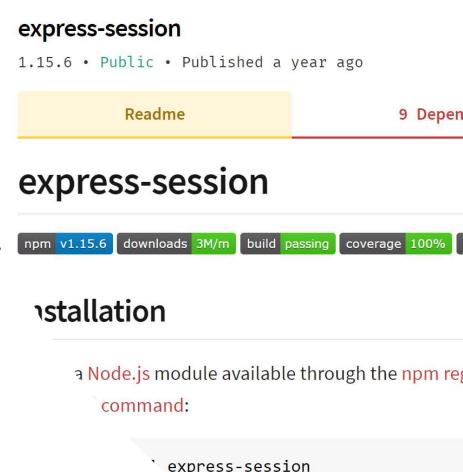
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Aside: Sessions

- Requests to Express apps are stand-alone by default
 - no request can be linked to another.
 - By default, no way to know if this request comes from client that already performed a request previously.
- Sessions are a mechanism that makes it possible to "know" who sent the request and to associate requests.
- Using Sessions, every user of you API is assigned a unique session:
 - Allows you to store state.
- The express-session module is middleware that provides sessions for Express apps.



User Schema with Static & Instance Methods

```
const UserSchema = new Schema({
  username: { type: String, unique: true, required: true},
  password: {type: String, required: true },
});
UserSchema.statics.findByUserName = function(username) {
  return this.findOne({ username: username});
};
UserSchema.methods.comparePassword = function (candidatePassword) {
  const isMatch = this.password === candidatePassword;
  if (!isMatch) {
    throw new Error('Password mismatch');
  return this;
export default mongoose.model('User', UserSchema);
```

Static Method: belongs to schema. Independent of any document instance

Instance Method: belongs to a specific document instance.

express-session middleware

- Session middleware that stores session data on server-side
 - Puts a unique ID on client

```
npm install --save express-session
```

Add to Express App middleware stack:

```
//session middleware
app.use(session({
   secret: 'ilikecake',
   resave: true,
   saveUninitialized: true
}));
```

Create User Route to authenticate

 Use /api/user to authenticate, passing username and password in HTTP body

/api/users/index.js

```
// authenticate a user, using async handler
router.post('/', asyncHandler(async (req, res) => {
    if (!req.body.username || !req.body.password) {
        res.status(401).send('authentication failed');
    } else {
        const user = await User.findByUserName(req.body.username);
        if (user.comparePassword(req.body.password)) {
            req.session.user = req.body.username;
            req.session.authenticated = true;
            res.status(200).end("authentication success!");
        } else {
            res.status(401).end('authentication failed');
        }
}
}));
```

Using static method to find User document

Using instance method to check password

```
/index.js
app.use('/api/users', usersRouter);
```

Authentication Middleware

authenticate.js

```
import User from './api/users/userModel';

// Authentication and Authorization Middleware
export default async (req, res, next) => {

if (req.session) {

let user = await User.findByUserName(req.session.user);

if (!user)

return res.status(401).end('unauthorised');

next();
} else {

return res.status(401).end('unauthorised');
};
```

Checks for user ID in session object.
If exists, called next middleware function, otherwise end req/res cycle with 401

index.js

import authenticate from './authenticate';
app.use('/api/posts', authenticate, postsRouter);

Authentication middleware applied on /api/posts route.

Object Referencing

```
const PostSchema = new Schema({
   title: {type: String, required: true},
   link: {type: String, optional: true},
   username: {type: String, required: true},
   comments: [CommentSchema],
   upvotes: {type: Number, min: 0, max: 100, default: 0},
});
```

Using Object ID to reference user document

Query Population using Refs

 Allows you to automatically replace the specified paths in the document with document(s) from other collection(s).

```
async function refTest() {
   const user1 = new User({
       username: "user99",
       password: "pass1"
   });
   await user1.save();
   const post1 = new Post({
       title: "A Post",
       user: user1. id
   });
   await post1.save()
   Post.find({})
        .populate('user')
        .exec(function (error, posts) {
            console.log(JSON.stringify(posts, null, "\t"))
       });
refTest();
```

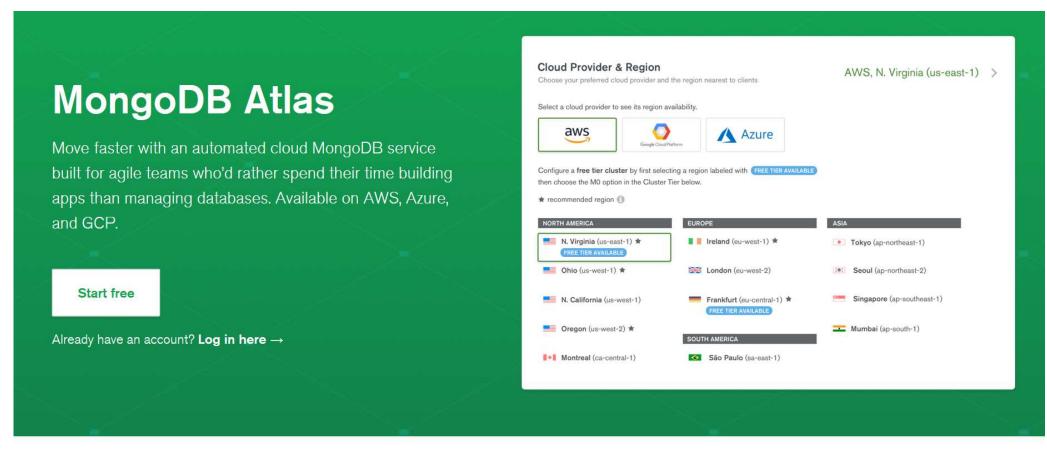
MONGODB AS A SERVICE

MongoDB as a Service

- Best practice for initial development is to host MongDB process on your development machine
- In production environments, Mongo will be hosted:
 - on it's own instance or
 - provisioned as a service



MongoDB as a Service









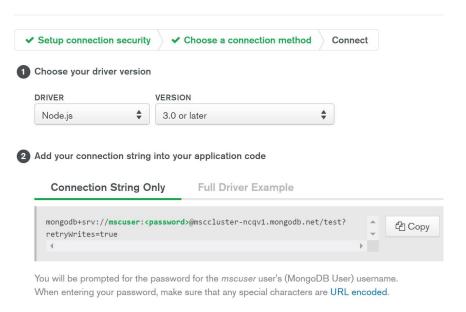
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MongoDB as a Service

- Some providers allow free access tier
- Provide user credentials wrapped in a URL
- All you need to do is update your config with the relevant URL
- Again, be careful to ignore credentials when pushing to github/public repo

Connect to MscCluster



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